## House Resolution No. 2770

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State organizations which are dedicated to helping today's youth meet the challenges of active citizenship as future societal leaders in local communities and neighborhoods; and

Whereas, Project AIM (Assets in Motion) in Kansas City was founded during the summer of 1998 by the Community Outreach Committee of the Coalition for Positive Family Relationships, now known as the Coalition for Community Collaboration, after a presentation by Search Institute, Incorporated, demonstrated the possibilities involved in strengths-based programs which emphasize youth asset building; and

Whereas, Project AIM enhanced its already impressive record of achievement when it became the top rated site in the country for April 16 through April 18, 2004, National Youth Service Day participation in light of its roster of 23,199 active volunteers in the greater Kansas City area; and

Whereas, Project AIM was publicly lauded for its efforts on Tuesday, September 14, 2004, at a press conference at the Kauffman Foundation in the Town Square; and

Whereas, a nonprofit organization, Project AIM helps young people between the ages of ten and twenty-one develop leadership skills and character-building assets; and

Whereas, Project AIM emphasizes development of assets in the areas of Support, Empowerment, Boundaries and Expectations, Time Use, Values, Educational Commitment, Social and Emotional Competencies, Positive Identity, Physical Health and Safety, and Public Policy; and

Whereas, Project AIM facilitates each participant's discovery of the characteristics that make them distinctive, resourceful, and successful; and

Whereas, Project AIM has led National Youth Service Day efforts in the Kansas City metropolitan area for the past five years, and every year the organization has finished with a top five ranking to be the most consistent organization nationally:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the history and accomplishments associated with the work of Project AIM and to convey to all of those involved this legislative body's most heartfelt congratulations upon their organization's selection as the nationally top rated site for the 2004 National Youth Service Day; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of Project AIM of Kansas City, Missouri.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Representative Will Kraus

District No. 48

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 2770, adopted May 5, 2005.